Name of Circle	Bidder to whom LOI Issued	Name of foreign Collaborator	Name of Indian Promoters
Delhi	HFCL Bezeq Telecom	(a) Bezeq Israel (Israel Telecom Corpn. Ltd. (b) Shinawatra International Public Co. Ltd., Thailand	(a) HFCL India (b) KJMC Finacial Services Ltd., India (c) Kotak Mahindra Finance Ltd.
Harayana	-do-	-do-	-do-
Orissa	-do-	-do-	-do-
UP (West)	-do-	-do-	-do-
Gujarat	Reliance Telecom	(a) Nynex International (India) Ltd., Maurit.	Reliance Industries Ltd.
Maharashtra	Hughes Ispat Ltd	M/s Hughes Electronic Corporation, US (a) Alltel Corporation USA	(a) M/s Nippon Denro Ispat Ltd.
Punjab	Essar Commvision	(a) M/s Bell Atlanti Offshore Mauritius Ltd.	(a) M/s Essar Investment Ltd. (b) M/s Essar Gujarat Ltd.
Tamilnadu	Basic Teleservices	M/s Nippon Telegraph Telephone Corporation, Japan (a) M/s Itochu Corpn, Japan	Seven Companies of RPG Enterprises

Ezhimala Naval Academy

1067. SHRI THENNALA BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) by when is the Ezhimala Naval Academy expected to be completed;

(b) the reasons for delay 01 that project; and

(c) the cost increased in the project due to delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI NVN. SOMU): (a) By early 2003.

(b) and (c) After the approval of the project in March, 1995, there has been a marginal delay in commencement of the construction activities. This has been due to the time taken in tying up project monitoring infrastructure. Since the project is in planning stage, it will be unrealistic at present to work out the cost increase.

Gosikhurd Irrigation Project

1068. SHRIMATI BASANTISARMA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAM CHANDRAJICHKAR:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank has decided to finance the Gosikhurd Irrigation Project in the Bhandara district of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the finance likely to be available from the World Bank;

(c) the amount being spent annually by the State Government during the last five years;

(d) the amount required for the completion of the whole dam; and

(e) by when the dam is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTAER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) During the last five years, the year-wise amount spent by the State Government on Gosikhurd Irrigation Project, Maharashtra is as under:

Year	Amount (Rs . in crores)
1991-92	6.28
1992-93	17.99
1993-94	30.72
1994-95	38.48
1995-96	49.79

(d) The amount required for completion of the whole Dam is estimated as Rs. 526.13 crores.

(e) The Project is likely to be completed by 2002 subject to availability of funds.

से सैन्य उपकरणों के अतिरिक्त कलपुर्जों का आयात

1069. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल:** क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या देश सैन्य उपकरणों के अतिरिक्त कलपुर्जों के लिए अभी भी रूस पर निर्भर है;

(ख) क्या रूस कुछ महत्वपूर्ण कलपुर्जों का भारत को निर्यात करने में असमर्थ है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में देश में क्या वैकल्पिक व्यवस्था की गई है; और

(घ) देश के इस दिशा में कब तक आत्मनिर्भर होने की संभावना है?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एन.वी.एन. सोमू): (क) से (घ) रक्षा उपस्करों से संबंधित मदें/अतिरिक्त हिस्से-पर्जे, उत्पाद सहायता और रख-रखाव/मरम्मत ओवरहाल व आधुनिकीकरण के लिए आवश्यक व्यापक सेवाएं निश्चित रूप से उपलब्ध कराए जाने के बारे में भारत सरकार ने रूस के साथ एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं। पूर्व सोवियत संघ के विघटन के पश्चात् रक्षा सहयोग बढ़ाने के लिए सरकार रूस और पूर्व सोवियत संघ के प्रत्येक उत्तरवर्ती राज्य के साथ संबंध स्थापित करने की नीति का पालन करती रही है।

साथ ही, सरकार अन्य स्रोतों से रक्षा आयात के जारी रखने और रक्षा क्षेत्र में इस्तेमाल होने वाले अतिरिक्त हिस्से-पुर्जों के उत्पादन में आत्मनिर्भरता लाने के उद्देश्य से स्वदेशी उत्पादन सुविधाओं को सुदृढ़ बनाने के उपाय भी कर रही है ताकि यह सुनिश्चित किया जा सके कि देश की रक्षा संबंधी जरूरतें पर्याप्त रूप से पूरी की जा सकें।

Delay in Linking Villages with STD in Pauri Garhwal

1070. SHRI RAJ NATO SINGH:
SHRI MATIMALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to statae:

(a) the reasons for delay in linking vii- lages of district Pauri Garhwal, Uttar Pradesh by STD facilities with major cities; and

(b) by when they are likely to be linked?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA: (a) There are 34 telephone exchanges in Pauri Garhwal out of which 9 are working in Urban Areas having STD facility Remaining 25 exchanges are working in villages out of which 16 exchanges are linked on Group Dialing basis.

(b) It is proposed to provide STD to three telephone exchanges durfng 1996-97 and remaining shall be linked on STD progressively subject to availability of equipment and funds.

Creation of New States

1071. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:
SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the view of Government on creation of new States of Uttarakhand, Chhatisgarh, Bodoland, Jharkhand, Gorkhaland etc; and

(b) the stand on grant of greater autonomy to the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQFOL DAR): (a) and (b) The recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-state Relations releating to the legislative, administrative and financial matters etc. which have an impact on autonomy of the States are being considered by a Sub-Committee, of the Inter-State Council. After consideration by the Sub-Committee, these recommendations will be placed before the Inter-State Council for consideration. The views of the Inter-State Council, thereafter, will be submitted to the Government for its consideration and decision.

The Government also proposes to appoint a High Level Committee to review and update the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission.

Government is in favour of distribution of powers and decentralisation of authority in political, administrative and economic spheres. However, the question of creation of new States has various other facets like administrative and financial viability etc. which need to be considered.